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▼ Faculty-Authored Textbooks

Policy to require peer review

Zach Becker
Editor

Fort Hays will soon enact a policy requiring a peer-review of faculty-authored textbooks that are to be assigned to students.

The policy looks to prevent the appearance of a conflict of interest, while also ensuring faculty-authored textbooks are appropriate for the specific class.

"Kind of on its face, writing a book that you sell to your students that you make money off of would appear to be a conflict of interest," said attorney Todd Powell, Fort Hays State's general counsel. "The purpose of (the peer review) is to ensure that the textbook being assigned is appropriate for that class. In other words, we don't want faculty charging students \$200 for something that (students) aren't going to learn from."

The policy calls for professors to submit the faculty-authored course material to be reviewed by a

committee of three tenured faculty members in the same department as the author (the author cannot be on the committee).

If a majority of the committee deems the material appropriate for the course, then no conflict of interest is assumed, although faculty are still required to fill out a conflict of interest disclosure for profits over a certain amount as required by the Kansas State Board of Regents.

"The policy as written would not prohibit the assignment of faculty-authored textbooks or course materials. (It) would not prohibit the faculty from earning royalties off of the sale of these course materials," Powell said. "Essentially, the policy is meant to provide guidance to faculty."

According to Powell, this new policy only codifies an existing informal practice of peer-review for faculty-authored class materials. The policy should be enacted at the next meeting of the President's Council later this month.

Winter Weather Advisory



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A winter storm struck Hays Monday evening. The storm left several inches of snow on the ground and roads remain slick. Several classes were cancelled Monday evening after the storm hit. The above photo was taken facing east between Fort and Walnut streets near campus on Monday evening.

Student Environmental Organization seeks to influence FHSU community

Mike Courson
Staff Writer

After removing 33 bags worth of trash from Big Creek as part of a class project, they knew something needed to be done to increase awareness about environmental issues on campus.

The three students – Lance Rack, Dustin Engel and Joshua Janzen – promptly moved forward in forming a new group at Fort Hays, the Student Environmental Organization.

"We realized that something needed to be done to engage and inform students, university officials and the community about our world's growing environmental problems," said Rack, SEO president.

Rack says the purpose of the club is to stimulate interest in environmental issues on campus and to bring students interested in those issues together.

Members also want to promote a sound environmental policy at Fort Hays. "It's like pulling teeth to get people to try and do something that needs that happen," said Engel, SEO vice president.

Since the club is so new - it

only became an official student organization at the start of this semester - membership recruitment is still in the works.

However, "even considering that, we have had a remarkable amount of people show interest in becoming involved," Rack said.

So far, about 30 students have joined SEO and the group expects further growth. Rack hopes some upcoming events will bring awareness of the club and attract more members.

The group has been showing films that make people think more deeply about environmental issues.

The club has already shown Al Gore's *An Inconvenient Truth* and they plan to show *Who Killed the Electric Car*.

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-Lance Rack, President
Student Environmental
Organization

EDITORIAL

FHSU spams students' email

Why is Fort Hays spamming its own students? On Tuesday alone, student scatcat email accounts were sent no less than 13 messages from the school addressed to "allstudents@scatcat.fhsu.edu." The day before that, all students received five emails. If you don't check your scatcat frequently, that can quickly turn into a lot of email to sort through - on top of the normal junk mail. In the process, a lot of important information is probably glossed over or summarily deleted before viewing. Some students may even quit using scatcat altogether, instead turning to one of the numerous free, web-based email services available. And that is a shame, as a lot of vital information intended to go to students is not making it. However, this problem shouldn't be extremely hard to remedy. First, someone needs to disable whatever function it is that allows groups to send these messages to all students. Second, the university needs to set up an account where these important messages can be sent to, then organized into a single daily email. Or perhaps the announcements can be imported into Blackboard. This way the messages would be seen by nearly every student. The bottom line is that something needs to be done to fix this problem. The current system is overloading student inboxes and allowing valuable information to be lost in the shuffle, and that doesn't do anyone any good. -Zach Becker
for The Editorial Board

Domestic violence important topic

One in four women will endure some form of domestic violence in her lifetime. A woman is abused every nine seconds.

These are just a few of the troubling statistics associated with domestic violence.

With Valentine's Day just around the corner, I could have written about something a little more heartwarming, but with all the commercials featuring chocolate and diamond loving young couples, I think we get the point that romance is a good thing.

A far less talked about subject, especially on the day when corporate America wants your hard-earned money in the name of love, is domestic violence.

Because of its intimate nature, domestic violence has always been difficult to talk about.

Though more comfortable behind closed doors, this only worsens an already bad situation by making the victim feel guilty and ashamed.

Those in need of help may never know aid exists, or may not realize there are thousands of women in the same position.

We were reminded of the seriousness of this issue just over a year ago when Fort Hays student Angela Goddard was murdered by her estranged boyfriend not far from campus.

The 21 year-old former cheerleader from Russell had been trying to break



Mike Courson
Staff Writer

up with 32 year-old Robert Land. She had moved back home out of fear. The signs were probably there from the start.

While it would be impossible to fully discuss the warning signs in so little space, there are some basic indicators.

Jealousy is not a sign of love, but a sign of insecurity.

A controlling boyfriend wants to call the shots and gets angry when things do not go his way. Verbally abusive men may escalate to violence as the relationship progresses.

Once in an abusive relationship, it may be difficult to leave. Often times, the abuser isolates the victim from loved ones and other resources.

The victim often is made to feel that she deserves the abuse. It is easy for outsiders to say the woman should just leave, but with the threat of violence and the mental control the abuser has, it is not as easy as it seems.

It usually takes several attempts before the victim leaves for good.

Leaving is not always the

end of the problem.

Often women take out restraining orders against the abusers and make the mistake in believing that it will protect them from physical harm.

It's just a piece of paper. Others violate the restraining order by talking to the abuser and may be arrested themselves.

One stat says it all: 75 percent of all spousal murders take place after the woman leaves.

I wish there was an easy answer to domestic violence. The only partial solution I can suggest is education and awareness.

I've always wondered why high school classrooms spend so much time debating if Twain's steamboat in Huck Finn really represents slavery and other such topics, yet spend so little time discussing issues that might someday save someone a lot of trouble, maybe even her life.

There are several books on the issue and I suggest *The Gift of Fear* by Gavin de Becker as it realistically discusses the warning signs of abusers and stalkers and how to minimize these potentially deadly problems.

The sad thing is that we can know everything there is to know and still find ourselves in bad situations.

We are emotional beings. I recently saw a woman with two black eyes walking down the street with her arm around her presumed abuser.

I thought it heartbreaking that this woman would rather be abused than be alone.

And even more disturbing that someone could take advantage of that most basic need. But they do everyday.

Only you can make sure it never happens to you. I cannot imagine any abused woman ever thinking she would grow up to live that way.

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SEO

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In the spring, SEO will hold discussions and information meetings for students and interested members of the community.

The club also plans on constructing and exhibiting models of environmentally-friendly technologies, such as Photovoltaics, which convert solar energy to electricity.

"We believe displaying some of these concepts and allowing people to view them firsthand is vital to their eventual incorporation into everyday life," Rack said.

On Wednesday, for Valentine's Day, SEO members will be selling chocolate with customized wrappers in the Union from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

"We have such a diverse, creative, and talented group of members that we came up with some extremely funny labels for the

wrappers. They are environmental themed, but I'm sure most college students will find them fairly amusing," Rack said.

Students wanting to join SEO can do so by attending a meeting, which lasts about an hour. These meetings are held every other Monday in Albertson Hall, room 303. Students wanting to join can also contact one of the club's officers.

Club dues are \$5 per semester. The next meeting will be February 19.

Interested students can contact Rack by emailing him at ljrack@fhsu.edu or by calling him at (785)-259-3104.

"There are a lot of issues out there, especially in the academia world," Engel said. "A lot of people talk but don't do. I think we have a really great group of kids. They all want to try and make a difference, even if it's a small one."

▼Forsyth Library

Library to see improvements

Mike Courson
Staff Writer

Students may notice some changes soon at Forsyth Library.

According to John Ross, director of the library, several improvements are in the works.

One of the major changes will be the implementation of a learning commons in Forsyth.

The commons will include a technology help desk that will assist students with any technology needs.

"The learning commons goes further to promote information literacy for students," Ross said.

Students will be able to come into the library for computer help, but will also be able to use reference librarians for assistance. They will also have access to a writing center.

Another addition will be a study room for students.

Forsyth staff is looking into how to establish the room so students can come into the library as groups and display work, as well as communicate with faculty.

Poetry readings may also be held there.

When students enter the library through the main doors, the technology help desk will be almost directly to the left.

The reference desk will move towards the front of the library. The study room will be off to the side.

Staff are also working to establish computer stations throughout the library.

This will enable students can bring in laptops and work in different areas of the library.

Happy Valentine's Day from UAB!

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Cell phones may distract drivers

Mike Courson
Staff Writer

Driving and talking on the phone used to be two distinct behaviors. In recent years, however, the two have collided – with dangerous results.

Since Kansas began keeping records of cell-phone related car accidents in 2003, the number has increased steadily each year to 292 accidents in 2005. Safety experts believe even those figures are probably low since not all drivers mention their cell phones to investigators.

Kansas is not the only state to experience increases in cell-phone related accidents. Fourteen states have already enacted legislation to ban cell phone use by drivers or to place restrictions on the age of drivers who can use them.

While most Kansans will not see similar legislation anytime soon, the Kansas Department of Transportation has formed a task force on traffic safety issues that may recommend possible driving restrictions - including on cell phone use - on younger drivers as part of a graduated license program.

In the beginning

Though Americans first saw the modern automobile on the roads as early as the late 1800s, it was not until Oldsmobile's production line in 1902, and Henry Ford's even bigger production line several years later, that the car began its run towards mainstream. In those early years, the cars did not have the standard safety features we expect from cars today, but slower speeds made such features unnecessary.

Today, even with new safety features on cars, about 40,000 Americans die every year in car accidents. A much higher number is injured or disabled each year. Among the reasons for the increased number of deaths are more vehicles on the road, approximately one for every two Americans.

Also, the cars are traveling at higher speeds, reducing reaction times and increasing the violence of collision. In the 1970s, the federal government mandated a speed limit of 55 miles an hour to conserve fuel. In 1973, that number was reduced to 50 because of an oil crisis.

At that same time, the first radar detectors were introduced, and Americans learned how to speed

without getting caught. In 1995, the government repealed the 55-mile an hour speed limit. Now, many highway travelers drive in excess of 70 miles per hour.

Though the first real mobile phone was introduced in 1981, it was very large and not suitable in cars. It was not until the end of that decade that phones were installed in vehicles as car phones. With dramatic changes since then, the phone has become a carry-on item with exponentially more features.

In 1997, it was the camera phone. More recently, it was the ability to text message. All of these features make the phones more dynamic in use, and create more distractions for drivers who use them behind the wheel.

Right Now

Both cellular phones and automobiles have become everyday commodities in America and in most parts of the world. In 2005, estimates showed that over 2 billion people worldwide were using cell phones. A 2003 study from the University of Utah suggested that almost 85 percent of the then 135 million cell phone users in America talk while driving. A more recent Harris Poll showed

that 75 percent of phone owners used them while driving. Half of those polled also admitted the danger of such behavior.

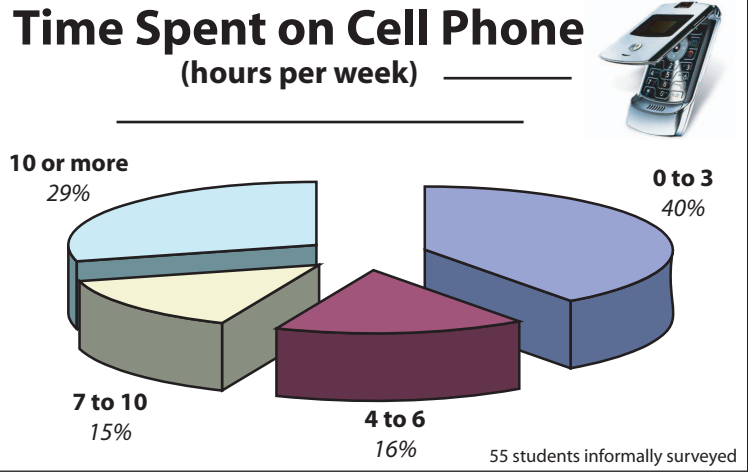
Today's cars are loaded with safety features. Front and side airbags, anti-lock brakes, and even seatbelts, which were not mandated by law until 1968, to name a few.

Cars makers have also cut down on distractions by giving drivers the ability to control some devices on the steering wheel.

The popularity of the cell phone amongst drivers, however, has negated that benefit of distraction. A 2006 Virginia Tech and National Highway Traffic Safety Administration study found that 80 percent of all crashes were caused by driver inattention within three seconds of the crash.

If drivers know the risks, why do they do it? Carrie Nassif, Psychology professor, suggests that drivers use phones while driving to stay connected while alone on the road. Also, talking while driving allows drivers to multitask and save the time that would be required for the same phone call later.

Several states have recognized the potential danger of talking



while driving, and have passed laws to restrict the behavior. Of the fourteen states that do have restrictions, ten have primary enforcement laws, which allow law enforcement to stop and ticket drivers using cell phones.

The other four states have secondary enforcement laws, which allow officers to ticket drivers only after another infraction has been committed.

On the Horizon

Cars and phones will continue to evolve, and users and lawmakers will continue to react to those changes. Already, phone providers have given users a hands-free alternative. However, studies show that it may be the conversation, not the phone itself that causes distraction.

Studies show that performing complex mental tasks while driving can reduce the driver's ability of detecting visual targets by 30 percent.

Experts call this "inattention blindness" and say it places attention on the conversation, not the road. Complex conversations, whether via phone or in person, can result in reduced awareness.

With the growing popularity of the text message, and the new technological counterparts that make the task easier for users,

legislators may have a new issue to worry about. No specific anti-texting legislation exists presently, but existing phone bans and restrictions do indirectly regulate texting. If the problem continues to grow, more states could be expected to pass laws regulating texting or all use of cell phones.

Dr. Andria Cooper, professor of Justice Studies, says law enforcement professionals may favor legislation.

If the law would allow it, officers could pull over violators for cell phone violations. On such routine traffic stops, officers often find evidence of other crimes, such as DUI, driving without a license and drivers with outstanding warrants.

Fines may be similar to those for other traffic infractions. Cell users may have little argument against legislation if the government can prove a ban is in the best interest for everyone.

"But if the law infringes on any fundamental rights, then the court would have to see if the state has a compelling governmental interest," Cooper said.

Whether or not Kansas joins the other states in the fight to keep drivers off of phones, the issue is sure to be around for the foreseeable future.

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Wrestlers destroy Mesa State College

Cole Reif
Sport Editor

After dropping a dual Friday night to No. 8 Western State, the Tiger wrestling team looked to avenge their loss the following day with a match against Mesa State College in Grand Junction, Colorado. The Tigers took their aggression out on the Mavericks with a 48-0 victory. This was Fort Hays State's first shutout since the 2003-2004 season and also became the second largest shutout in school history.

The Tigers received 18 points off three forfeits and then went to work in the 125-pound weight class as Devin Schwartz won by a

Sports in Brief

Softball

Tiger Softball won the CSU-Pueblo Tournament Sunday in Colorado. Oddly enough, Fort Hays State lost all three games in the round robin play but then turned it on once tournament play started as the No.4 seed in a four-team bracket.

The Lady Tigers beat Regis in round one by a score of 14-8 and then finally beat the University of Colorado – Colorado Springs in the championship game 11-8.

The two wins put the Tigers at 2-3 on the fresh season. The Tiger softball team looks to continue their success February 23 in the West Texas A&M Tournament.

Baseball

The Fort Hays State baseball team starts their season off with a 7-game home stand starting today at 1:00 p.m. against Sterling College.

The Tiger ball club is coming off a 46-17 record from last year. Fort Hays State outscored Sterling 27-7 in their two victories over the Warriors last season.



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Super Bowl first with two black head coaches

The 2007 Super Bowl had lots of firsts. The first opening kickoff return. The first time the Bears and Colts ever played in the Super Bowl, in the rain, with Peyton Manning as a quarterback for one of the teams. More importantly, it was the first Super Bowl to feature two black head coaches.

At first, I was disappointed to see that race is still an issue in 2007. Then I remembered it has never been an issue for me because I'm white. That does not mean it's not an everyday issue for minorities, and I found myself on the side of former NFL stars Deion Sanders and Marshall Faulk as they debated former 49ers coach Steve Mariucci and ESPN anchor Rich Eisen during a pre-game debate on the NFL Network.

Sanders said three-fourths of NFL players are black and expressed concern that so few of these players ever have a chance to coach in the league. Mariucci responded that coaching is not for everyone. It's one-third of the pay for three times as much work. Does that mean potential black coaches are not willing to work as hard as white ones? I will remain skeptical.



Mike Courson
Staff Writer

Eisen suggested that coaching so many players is difficult and maybe most black players lack experience in the coaching arena. Faulk argued that, since he has played in the league, he is more or less qualified already. He knows the game and how to reach players. Sanders added that each position has its own coach in the NFL, so it's not up to one man to oversee the entire program.

While the lack of black coaches is disturbing, college or pro, that's not the most disturbing race issue in sports. More troubling is the business side of sports. Yes, while we fans watch to be entertained and inspired, to club owners and coaches, sports is a business.

Think of the inner city kids who grew

up with nothing. Where were these millionaire, sometimes billionaire sports owners then? Most do little to help these kids. Yet when a kid makes a name for himself through sports, the owner realizes that there is money to be made. The coach, who needs to win to keep his job, wants the best talent. All of a sudden, these kids no one cared about are getting all kinds of attention. It's not humanity at work, it's business.

Last year, NBA Commissioner David Stern mandated a dress code for NBA players, who are to wear Business Casual attire to team events and personal appearances. Many NBA players grew up in the inner cities, have tattoos and wear baggy clothes.

They lived it, and they choose to continue to live that way even with millions in the bank. But Stern did not like his players looking like they came from the streets. Was he just afraid this reminder of social differences would drive away the white fan? Who knows, but making the players give up their culture when that's how they

grew up is offensive even to a white Kansas boy like myself.

One other act of indifference is recruiting. For so many kids, sports is the way to something better. Powerful programs are able to recruit the most talented kids in the country. These kids go to these schools with the hopes of making a name for themselves.

Instead, because coaches want to safeguard their own success, talented players who would play significant minutes at most other schools wind up second to another great talent. Sure, the player should research the university and know his chances, but give a kid with nothing a promise of something and he will sign his life away.

The race issue is still alive and kicking in sports because it's just as alive in life. What we are seeing in sports is just a reflection of what we see in life. It is, however, getting better.

In time, maybe we will pay less attention to the color of a player's or coach's skin, or how he dresses, and care more about how well he plays or knows the game.

Tigers stumble against Griffons

Cole Reif
Sports Editor

Coming off an impressive win over the fifth-ranked team in the nation, Central Missouri State, the Tigers couldn't hold on to beat Missouri Western on Saturday. Fort Hays dropped the second match-up with the Griffons 61-60 in St. Joseph's, Missouri.

The Tigers trailed 33-31 at the intermission. Fort Hays State and Missouri Western battled it out in the second half in a game that had thirteen lead changes and thirteen times where the score was tied.

Fort Hays took their largest lead of the ball game when junior John Rogers knocked in a lay-up to give the Tigers a 58-54 lead with 2:23 remaining. Rogers finished the night with another double-double, pulling down 10 rebounds to go along with his 16 points. Griffons' Joe Manthe

would answer on the other end as he drilled a three-pointer. Fort Hays would then get a jumper from senior Loranja Owens to extend that lead back up to three. A basket later by Missouri Southern and a pair of free throws from Manthe gave the Griffons a one-point lead with 1:37 to play. On the ensuing play for the Tigers, Fort Hays had plenty of opportunities to win the ball game with four offensive rebounds on their last meaningful possession. The Griffons could not completely finish off the Tigers as Ricky Quarels missed a pair of free throws with less than 14 seconds left in the second half. Fort Hays, now with one last chance to win the game, entrusted the ball with senior Kevin Wagstaff. Wagstaff could not connect on a 3-pointer and failed to deliver the Tigers their third straight win.



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At left, cheerleaders perform during a recent Fort Hays basketball game. Just above, a Fort Hays player makes a basket. The Tigers are 11-12 on the season.

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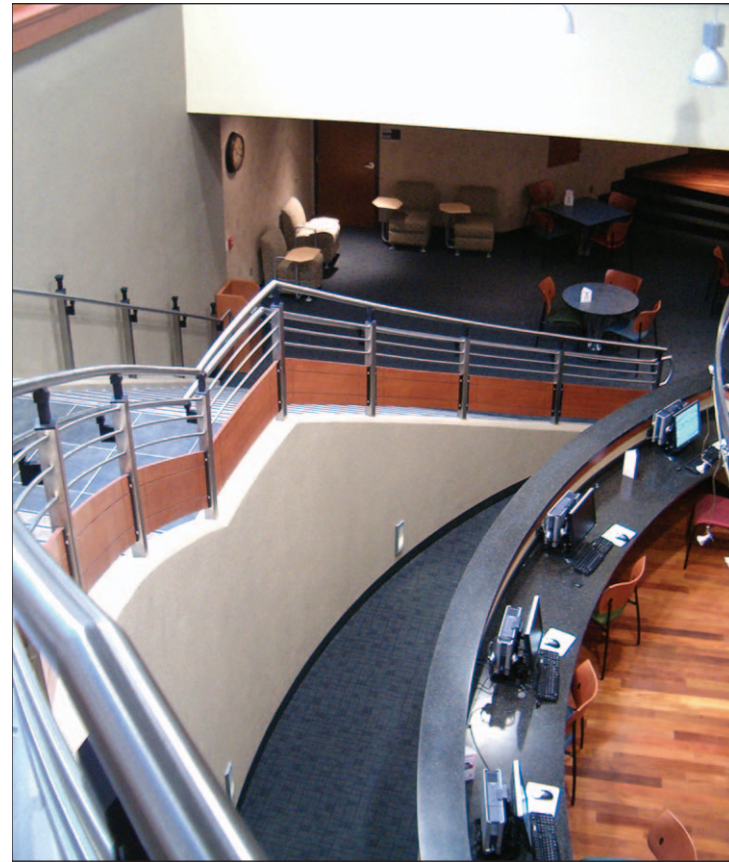
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On February 5, Union Station opened for business, serving food to hundreds of students. Housed in the Memorial Union, the newly renovated area features a variety of eating choices, including Mondo Subs, Coyote Jack's, Grab n' Go and Pizza Hut. "I like the decor," said Ashley Huwa, junior. "It's a lot different than what we're used to (seeing around campus). It's modern without being really bizarre." "All the seating areas are really cool," said Brent Millikan, sophomore. "The lights and the flooring are really nice, and it just seems more modern and up-to-date than before."

